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SUBJ: CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

REF: A) PRAGUE 1638, B) STATE 164772

1. CONGRESSIONAL LETTER CONTAINED NO
ADDITIONAL DETAILS, BUT CONVERSATION WITH
LOCAL LAWYER PRODUCED FOLLOWING INFORMATION.
GOVERNMENT CAN TAKE POSSESSION OF FOREIGN-
OWNED PROPERTY IN ONE OF FOUR WAYS:
DIRECT PURCHASE, EXPROPRIATION, CONFISCATION,
OR NATIONALIZATION.

2. CONFISCATION TAKES PLACE AS RESULT OF
PENALTY IMPOSED BY COURTS FOR CRIMINAL
BEHAVIOR, AND NO COMPENSATION IS GRANTED.
FOR EXAMPLE, PROPERTY OF ILLEGAL EMIGRANT
MAY BE CONFISCATED.

3. NATIONALIZATION REFERS TO ASSUMPTION OF OWNERSHIP
OF ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE ("MEANS OF PRODUCTION") FOR
WHICH COMPENSATION IS NEGOTIABLE. THIS IS THE TYPE
OF CASE FROM WHICH CLAIMS/GOLD ISSUE ARISES.

4. PROPERTY NEEDED FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS MAY
BE EXPROPRIATED THROUGH LEGAL PROCESS SIMILAR TO
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EXERCISE OF EMINENT DOMAIN UNDER ANGLO-SAXON
LEGAL SYSTEM AND COMPENSATION CAN OCCUR. HUNYADY'S
PROPERTY, A PRIVATE DWELLING AND GARDEN, WAS EXPROPRIATED
BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY AS PART OF URBAN
DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

5. THUS HUNYADY CASE APPEARS IRRELEVANT TO CLAIMS/

GOLD ISSUE.

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